Introduced by Assembly Member Vargas

February 22, 2005

An act to amend Section 45452 of the Education Code, and to amend Section 42011 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1324, as introduced, Vargas. vehicles: school pedestrian-bicyclist safety program.

Existing law creates a school pedestrian-bicyclist safety program and doubles or increases the fines for a designated violation occurring in a specially posted school pedestrian-bicyclist safety zone, as specified, in Alameda County, Santa Barbara County, Ventura County, or in any city in any of those counties where the program is adopted by a vote of the city council, or the county board of supervisors, as appropriate, and is established in collaboration with local school districts within those jurisdictions, if that county or city opts for the application of this law.

This bill would, in addition, apply the above provisions to San Diego County.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 45452 of the Education Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 45452. (a) The County of Alameda, the County of San Diego,
- 4 the County of Santa Barbara, the County of Ventura, or any city

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within any of these counties, in collaboration with local school districts within those jurisdictions, may establish a school 3 pedestrian-bicyclist safety program and receive funds from a 4 special account in the county treasury established pursuant to 5 Section 1463.21 of the Penal Code if those funds are used to fund programs that enhance the safety of students pupils traveling to and from school on foot or by bicycle. Any funds obtained by a 8 city or county from this source are to supplement any funds already expended by that agency for pedestrian or bicycle safety 10 programs and may not be used to supplant any existing 11 expenditures for those purposes.

- (b) If a program is established pursuant to subdivision (a) and the services of a law enforcement agency are requested by the program administrator, those services shall be provided by the law enforcement agency having primary traffic investigative authority.
- (c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2007, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends that date.
- SEC. 2. Section 42011 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:
- 42011. (a) For any offense specified in subdivision (b) that is committed by the driver of a vehicle under either of the following conditions, the fine in a misdemeanor case shall be double the base amount otherwise prescribed, not including any penalty assessments or other fees or additions, and in an infraction case, the fine shall be one category higher than the penalty otherwise prescribed by the uniform traffic penalty schedule established pursuant to Section 40310, not including any penalty assessments or other fees or additions:
- (1) When passing a school building or the grounds thereof, if the building or grounds are contiguous to a highway and posted with a standard "SCHOOL" warning sign and an accompanying sign notifying motorists that increased penalties apply for traffic violations that are committed within that school zone, and children are going to or leaving the school either during school hours or during the noon recess period.
- (2) When passing any school grounds that are not separated from the highway by a fence, gate, or other physical barrier while

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the grounds are in use by children, and the highway is posted with a standard "SCHOOL" warning sign and an accompanying sign notifying motorists that increased penalties apply for traffic violations that are committed within that school zone.

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- (b) A violation of any of the following provisions is an offense that is subject to subdivision (a):
- (1) Article 3 (commencing with Section 21450) of Chapter 2 of Division 11, relating to obedience to traffic devices.
- (2) Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21650) of Division 11, relating to driving, overtaking, and passing.
- (3) Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 21800) of Division 11, relating to yielding the right-of-way.
- (4) Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 22100) of Division 11, relating to turning and stopping and turn signals.
- (5) Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 22348) of Division 11, relating to speed limits.
- (6) Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 22450) of Division 11, relating to special traffic stops.
 - (7) Section 23103, relating to reckless driving.
- (8) Section 23104, relating to reckless driving which results in bodily injury to another.
 - (9) Section 23109, relating to speed contests.
- (10) Section 23152, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance, or a violation of Section 23103, as specified in Section 23103.5, relating to alcohol-related reckless driving.
- (11) Section 23153, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance, which results in bodily injury to another.
 - (12) Section 23220, relating to drinking while driving.
- (13) Section 23221, relating to drinking in a motor vehicle while on the highway.
- (14) Section 23222, relating to driving while possessing marijuana or an open alcoholic beverage container.
- (15) Section 23223, relating to being in a vehicle on the highway while possessing an open alcoholic beverage container.
- 37 (16) Section 23224, relating to being a driver or passenger 38 under the age of 21 years possessing an open alcoholic beverage 39 container.

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 (17) Section 23225, relating to being the owner or driver of a vehicle in which there is an open alcoholic beverage container.

- (18) Section 23226, relating to being a passenger in a vehicle in which there is an open alcoholic beverage container.
- (c) (1) This section applies only in Alameda County, *San Diego County*, Santa Barbara County, Ventura County, or in a city in any of these counties, and only if that jurisdiction has adopted this section by a vote of the city council or county board of supervisors, as appropriate.
- (2) The increased fines authorized by subdivision (a) may only be imposed and collected once per offense notwithstanding the fact that the offense occurred within more than one jurisdiction all of which have adopted this section. Furthermore, no an increased fine shall not be imposed if an increased fine is imposed under Section 42009 or 42010 because the offense occurred within a highway construction or maintenance area or safety enhancement area.
- (d) AnyA city or county that adopts this section shall promptly notify the *Department of the* California Highway Patrol and the law enforcement agency having the primary traffic investigative authority of that fact.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2007, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends that date.